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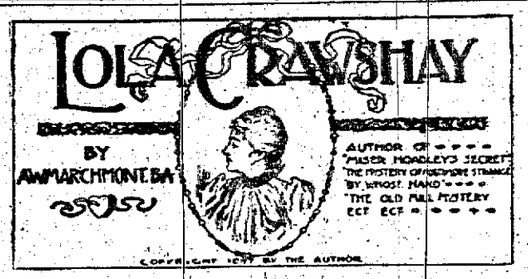

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CHAPTER XII.
AN EVIL PLAN.

As Pierre Turrian stood, like one spellbound, reading the slip of paper which Beryl had put into his hand his first struggle was to fight with the sense of paralyzing astonishment which the girl's words had produced.

Then he ransacked every nook and cranny of his memory to recall what had passed between them at the time of their first interview, while mixed up curiously with the whole mental effort was a recollection of his blunder, for which he cursed himself, in mistaking this calm, unimpassioned, quiet girl for a fool.

His first sign of a recovery from his surprise was a laugh, forced, short, unnatural and sneering, but still an advance from his silence of blank dismay.

"How do you say you got this, Miss Leycester?" he asked, waving the paper toward her and speaking with a sneer on his lip.

"The question is not how I got it, but what it means," returned Beryl coldly.

"On the contrary, it has everything to do with it. It is the most extraordinary coincidence I have ever heard of."

"Is that your answer?" And Beryl looked more stern than before, every feature speaking her disbelief.

"There is nothing to answer in such a thing as this. If you want an answer, all I can say is that either those who gave you this have imposed upon you in the most monstrous fashion in the world, or for some purpose which I don't pretend to know you are trying to impose on me. That is what I mean when I want to know where you got this extraordinary document." He laughed again now, as if the charge were beneath serious notice.

"You are recovering from your first surprise, and in your effort to find time in which to invent some sort of explanation you make it a kind of implied charge against me that I have been prying into your secrets. I understand you perfectly and have seen through your pretenses from the first. Please to appreciate that fact in whatever you say."

He looked at her viciously as she spoke, but he was almost frightened at the cold, implacable, resolute frankness of her gray eyes. He shrugged his shoulders and lifted his white hands and smiled till he showed his teeth as he replied in a tone of assumed carelessness:

"You are a delightful antagonist, Miss Leycester, so fair, so true, so straight. But tell me, if you have made up your mind beforehand that I have all sorts of pretenses to be seen through and that I am the villain your looks imply, what is the use of this conversation?"

"I have said nothing about your being a villain, M. Turrian. I have asked you only what that entry in the St. Sulpice book means. That is all."

"And in what capacity do you do me the honor to catechise me? On whose behalf do you act? In what interest?"

There was no mistaking the palpable sneer in the question.

"There is no necessity to answer that question. You are not compelled to answer what I have asked you unless you please." He was cunning enough of fence to see his advantage and to press it instantly.

"On the continent, Miss Leycester, we are not accustomed to meet with lady knights errant who take up the cause of men of the world whom they imagine to have been ill used. It may be quite usual in England, of course, but that is my reason for asking in whose interest you undertake this energetic detective work."

His last words stung her, but she showed no irritation.

"The one question is what that paper means," she said firmly. "There is no other question of any importance."

"Well, that is quite my view." He had now recovered his customary impudent audacity and was beginning to enjoy the incident. "And in that view this paper means that a young lady of excellent family, unblemished character, great mental capacity and many personal charms," and he bowed and paused a moment, "who is not married to Sir Jaffray Walcote, much to the regret of that distinguished baronet's more distinguished mother, has been prying into matters which do not concern her at all, except, of course, in so far as they relate to that period of her life when—it was generally understood she would make that marriage."

"You will do no good by evading the question I have asked you in the attempt—a useless one, I assure you—to irritate me by insults into a forgetfulness of it," replied Beryl, seeing that he paused to notice what effect his words would have upon her.

"It looks—I do not say it is, but it looks—as if any such action were impelled by a desire to injure the woman who had taken the place of that young lady of excellent character as the wife of Sir Jaffray. The world is a harsh censor, Miss Leycester," he said, with an indescribable air of patronage and worldly wisdom, "and reads the motives which lie on the surface, especially when somebody's character is dirtied in the process. Had you not better be careful?"

"That is nonsense," replied Beryl curtly, "and you know it as well as I. What my motive may be is my own concern, and I am not likely to ask you or"— She checked herself, and in a flash he filled up the gap.

"Say Sir Jaffray's wife," he said, with a grin.

"Or any one," she added, passing by the interruption, "to help me to take care of myself. If things are as that paper says, the motives of those who discover the truth are of no concern. I am not here to discuss motives, but facts. Is that true or not?" pointing to the paper.

"Certainly and emphatically it is not true in the sense in which you seem to imply it—that I ever married Lola Crawshay at the Church of St. Sulpice in Montrenx. The thing is ridiculous." And he shrugged his shoulders again with his usual gesture.

"You make my part much more difficult," said the girl, and then she turned aside a moment in thought. "Do you understand that?" she asked after a moment of consideration.

"Miss Leycester, I understand nothing whatever of all of this," he answered.

"I have evidence which puts it beyond the shadow of a doubt that what that paper says is true, that you are the Pierre Turrian named on the date of it, and that on the date given you married the Lola Crawshay mentioned there, and that the Lola Crawshay is the same woman who is now my Cousin Jaffray's wife. Is that plain enough? If you wish to know how I found it out, I may tell you that your own conduct at the last interview we had set me thinking, that the monstrous story you told about your fiddle strings did not for a moment deceive me, that your confusion when I told you of the marriage made it as plain as day that your interest was infinitely greater than you pretended, while your own mention of Montrenx and your subsequent obvious attempt to make me think there was nothing of importance in your connection with Montrenx confirmed my opinion, and that a subsequent chain of circumstances, all save one unsought by me, forced the full discovery upon me. That every fact is known to me pleases to recognize as absolutely certain."

He had listened to her statement almost breathlessly, yet showing outwardly no more than a sort of polite indifference, but he was revolving lustily in his thoughts a score of different courses of action.

There was no use in further concealment.

It was clear from the pitiless frankness of the deliberate statement that this girl was speaking the truth, and it seemed as though all the pleasant plans of an easy life were to be shattered in a moment, and he hated the woman who had done it just as he hated everything that came in the path of his enjoyment.

He glanced at her vindictively as she was saying the last words, and he felt that he would give half his life if he could have seen that cold, hard, merciless face lying dead before him at that instant.

That thought started another and a grimmer one, so grim that involuntarily he glanced about him, as if the mere hardening of it might be dangerous, while his lips felt suddenly so parched that he moistened them with his tongue.

The idea grew on him like the germ of a poisonous plague, and instinctively his cunning prompted him to shape his course by it. What he had to find out was whether any one else knew of this secret.

Now that his eyes had been so rudely opened to the real deficiences of the girl who had thus faced him his wits had been quickened to read her, so as to know how best to deal with her.

For that new plan of his he must have time.

"I accept your conditions, Miss Leycester," he said when she finished. "I admit—for now it is useless to deny—that what you have found out is true in every detail."

The suddenness of his change of manner and of the confession startled the girl more than anything that had yet passed, and she shrank back and clinched her hands tightly.

"Then what business have you here?" she cried in a voice filled with indignation and anger.

"I will tell you all, everything," he said.

He paused a moment in indecision. He was doubtful even at the last moment whether for his purposes he would be wiser to put the blame on himself or on Lola, nor did he settle the point until he had begun to speak again.

"You have learned much of the truth," he said, "because you have learned the foundation fact of this most sad and terrible matter. Sir Jaffray Walcote and I are both married to the woman who is known as his wife, but by law and right she is my wife."

The expression on Beryl's face deepened to one of acute pain.

"It is terrible!" she exclaimed, almost under her breath. She had been confident of it before, but this plain statement of it by the Frenchman shocked her.

"You do not know all."

"More than you seem to think," she interposed. "I recognized that awful story which you told last night at dinner."

He looked very keenly at her for an instant, and something which he read in her face decided him so to tell the story as to make Lola appear the unwilling victim of his own villainy.

"Ma foi, I told it well!" he exclaimed, with a boastful laugh. "And it was a devilish bit of revenge, and on my soul I was sorry for the poor girl. You know, Miss Leycester, I am not cast in the mold of common men. I can be as stanch and true and good as the rarest of men, but I can also be just as rough and hard—aye! and as merciless. Man that is born of woman is born sometimes with all a woman's qualities. My mother was a tigress. Let me smoke. It is long since I was in the confessional box, and I need tobacco to make the words come glibly."

He spoke with easy, fluent impudence, infinitely disgusting to Beryl, but chosen by him designedly to throw back the girl's pity on Lola, painting himself intentionally in the blackest colors.

"I married Lola Crawshay," he resumed after lighting a fresh cigarette, "from no silly, sentimental notions, but because I had a hold over her on account of a trip of her long headed but somewhat irresponsible old father. To do the girl justice, she never did anything but hate me, but she was exceedingly useful, and—well, she was afraid to carry her hatred of me too far because I had a knack of using with excellent effect my knowledge of her father's mistake. You understand?"

He leered at her with repulsive assurance as he paused to take a couple of whiffs of the cigarette, which he did with great apparent enjoyment.

"You will make this as short as possible if you please," said Beryl, beginning to take the impression of the case which he intended.

"Certainly. Well, I will pass over our matrimonial life and hurry on to the end. There came the day when we had the scene on the Devil's rock. I colored the incident a little in my telling of the stamping on it last night, and my own attempt to make me think there was nothing in your connection with Montrenx and your subsequent attempt to make me think there was nothing of importance in your connection with Montrenx confirmed my opinion, and that a subsequent chain of circumstances, all save one unsought by me, forced the full discovery upon me. That every fact is known to me pleases to recognize as absolutely certain."

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"You will make this as short as possible if you please," said Beryl, beginning to take the impression of the case which he intended.

"Certainly. Well, I will pass over our matrimonial life and hurry on to the end. There came the day when we had the scene on the Devil's rock. I colored the incident a little in my telling of the stamping on it last night, and the little episode of the stamping on my fingers was an effort of my own invention." He did not wish Beryl to think that Lola had done anything of the kind. "In the plain and uncolored version I had nothing but my own chimney stupidity to blame for the whole affair. I had said things which did not please her ladyship—a man cannot always guard his tongue, you know Miss Leycester, even to his wife—and when she retorted I tried force, and seemed it I started back, and, like a fool, fell over the edge of the cliff. How I was saved from [illegible] I do not even guess, but I didn't die, as you can see for yourself, and when I found myself alive I had wit enough to hide the fact of my escape, seeing that in course of time I could probably make excellent use of it should she ever again marry. I wasn't altogether a bad judge, as you will now admit. Was I?"

"Have you anything else to tell me?" asked Beryl, with angry contempt.

"Anything else?" And he laughed lightly and rolled the cigarette between his fingers and looked at it as he repeated the words with the air of one who repeats a good joke. "Anything else? I should think so. Why, I could fill up any number of your spare hours with the tale of any number of good things, but let me stick to this one while I am about it. I didn't get off scot free, of course. I sprained and bruised and strained and crushed myself in a goodly number of places, and as soon as I could do so without that devoted wife of mine knowing anything about it I laid up and passed a month or two dismally in bed, maturing my plans, but when I got about again my lady had flown, and, what was worse, her father was as dead as the tombstone they put over him in Neufchatel cemetery. Well, I let her go. I let her feel her freedom; I am kind and gentle as the morning when no one gets in my way. I let her go. I knew I could find her, and being always an honest and industrious soul I set to work whereby to live, but in a year I began to pine, to droop, to fail, and I set out on my travels in search of her who had deserted me. In the course of time I tracked her to England, and—well, you know the rest."

He stopped and waved his hand as though he had finished.

"Go on—to the end," said Beryl.

"The end! Ma foi, the end is not yet! You gave me the news that my wife had done what I hoped she would, and you helped me to find her. I thank you. I found her, saw her, showed her what my power was and how she must do what I wished or be dragged in the dirt of scandal and calumny. Poor Lola! I am sorry for her. She thought my bones were bleaching at the foot of the Devil's rock when they walked into her presence, covered with flesh and clothed in sprightly attire. Poor devil! But a man must live." And he laughed as if the thought tickled him.

Beryl looked at him with the deepest loathing and could scarce restrain the words of scorn that rose to her lips. He read her looks.

"I see what you would say," he exclaimed, with his usual movement of the shoulders as if to deprecate her opinion. "For the moment it is an ugly looking part that I play, but Lola can well spare the little allowance which I require for my few wants. She made the mistake, not I, and man can't live without money. I am no Enoch Arden,

"Go on—to the end," said Beryl.

and so long as no one knew there was no risk. But now you have probably told half a dozen people, and the thing must end, and that's all about it. I'm not sure that I'm sorry."

"I have told no one as yet," said Beryl, and could she have seen the light that leaped into his eyes at the statement she would have been on her guard, but her head was turned from him for the moment.

"I don't mean told people outright, but you silly women do a hundred things which leave the trail of your movements such that a blind fool can see what you've been doing. It's the same thing."

"No one has even a suspicion of this horrible secret except myself," said the girl. "There's but one paper which under any conceivable circumstances could suggest a clew to any one. I have been most scrupulous because I have had to think of the honor of the family. I have a plan"—

But at that moment the door of the conservatory was opened with a needless amount of noise, and some one came in coughing loudly and shuffling the feet on the tiled floor.

The two turned and found Mrs. De Witt coming toward them.

"I hope I don't intrude, but upon my word I couldn't restrain myself any longer. I'm only a woman, you know, and when I'd seen you two here in such serious consultation for over an hour—positively, Beryl, over an hour, and nearly two—and as I was dying to know what it was all about I couldn't resist the temptation to make a noise and come in. M. Turrian, you interest me so much I can't bear to see you monopolized in this way, and by Beryl, too, of all people." And she looked from one to the other with curiosity in every eyelash.

"Madame, if the interest that you feel were only such as I could dare to hope I should feel that I had lived indeed." And he bowed with his exaggerated courtesy, while a mocking smile drew down the corners of his mouth.

"You Frenchmen are all equally insincere," she said. "But what on earth have you two been talking about, you two of all others?"

"You may not know, madame," replied Turrian gravely, "that Miss Leycester was the first person in England to whom I spoke on the great object of my presence here in England, that she then was able to throw most valuable light upon it, and now I have been explaining to her at great length all that is meant by the fifth string on a violin and all the part I have cast for myself. Is not that so, Miss Leycester?" He turned to her with unabashed impudence and smiled as he waited for her answer.

Beryl passed over the question and spoke to Mrs. De Witt,

"We had nearly finished. You did not interrupt. I want to think over what M. Turrian has said." And she left them.

"She takes the interruption badly," said Mrs. De Witt when the two were alone. "I think she is a good deal changed—since this marriage," she added a little maliciously.

"I have heard about that," said M. Turrian significantly. "She is a very fortunate girl. I should think very those

and secretive. Umph!"

"She is as good as sterling gold," said Mrs. De Witt in a burst of enthusiasm, but, hedging her verdict instantly, "and, like all good people, sometimes very objectionable. As for closeness, she might be an iron safe."

"I thought so," murmured the Frenchman, and as he turned the conversation with a light compliment the thought was running in his head that Beryl alone knew the secret and that if by mischance she were to die it would die with her.

CHAPTER XIII.
IN DEADLY PERIL.

Beryl went away from her interview with the Frenchman sorely perplexed as to what was best for her to do.

She did not doubt a word of what he had said against himself, and his callous confession of his villainous conduct had made her shudder with hate of him. She had never come into personal contact with any one who had a tithe of his rascality, and the experience was so strange and baffling that it confused and dazed her.

But the interview had changed her attitude toward Lola. It was clear to her now that, whatever might be Lola's faults, she was more to be pitied than blamed in this matter, and Beryl thought with a shudder of loathing and disgust of the fate of any woman tied to such a scoundrel as Pierre Turrian and in his merciless power.

What was to be done?

Beryl asked herself the question over and over again as she paced up and down her room, and there seemed no answer to it save one that spelled sorrow and misery and perhaps disgrace for them all. She hated to think that she had to bring all this trouble on those who were so dear to her, and she dreaded all the exposure and scandal that must follow.

When she had told the man that she had thought of a means of escape from all the trouble, it had been merely that in her almost morbid eagerness to prevent scandal she meant that he must consent to go away at once and leave the future settlement of the difficulty with Lola, to be effected quietly in his absence.

Her repugnance at his conduct made her even anxious to let the blow fall as lightly as possible on Lola, who by this time no doubt bitterly repented what she had done, and Beryl's pity for her grew every moment as she dwelt on the man's cruel baseness in trading on her act. Her own high sense of honor and her deep religious feeling accentuated in her thoughts the sense of bitter despair which she imagined must overwhelm Lola at being forced to admit her crime and lose the man she loved so deeply or to go on living in what was in truth a state of shame and sin.

Gradually a single resolve cleared itself in her thoughts.

She would make the man go away at once—that very day, indeed—under pain of Sir Jaffray being told of everything, and then she would determine how to act in regard to Lola.

With this resolve she left her room to seek M. Turrian and tell him what she had decided. As she was going down stairs the luncheon gong sounded, and thus she had to pass through the ordeal of seeing the man whom she knew on his own confession to be a treacherous scoundrel eating and drinking and laughing and talking with the chivalrous friend whom he was betraying every moment that he staid in the house. The mere sight of him sickened her, and when he turned and spoke to her and with his consummate audacity rallied her upon her looks and hoped that all he had said about his scheme had not troubled her she could scarcely remain at the table.

He perceived this, and with his during effrontery dropped little hints and innuendoes as if challenging her to speak.

As soon as the lunch was over, however, she followed him and said she must speak to him alone.

He turned willingly and instantly, with his false, mocking, ever ready smile on his face.

"Shall we go to the conservatory again?" he asked. "It is an excellent place for these touching little confidences. I declare I am almost glad of them. They let me see so much of you."

"Anywhere will do for the few words I have to say," returned Beryl angrily. "It is this: Unless you leave Walcote manor within an hour Sir Jaffray will know all."

"Yes?" he answered, raising his eyebrows. "Well, I am sorry for my poor friend, then. It will be a blow to him, and he will feel it. For I shall not go, Miss Leycester. I can't make any plausible excuse. But this I will do, if you like—I will go tomorrow morning."

"I will give you till 12 o'clock tomorrow," said the girl, "and not one hour longer."

"It shall be as you will!" he exclaimed, and when Beryl turned on her heel and left him without another word he looked after her and muttered between his teeth: "Twelve o'clock tomorrow. Between now and then there is a night, young lady, and for you a long one, or I am a fool and a coward."

Then he sauntered on to the conservatory by himself and smoked thoughtfully for some minutes. Afterward he went out and walked round the house, looking at the position and height from the ground of the bedroom windows in the wing where he knew Beryl's room was, and he was pleased with what he saw.

"It will do," he muttered. "And now there must be a word or two with Sir Jaffray's wife. She must take her part in this scene, and she will want very careful handling. Let me think it out a bit."

He turned into a side path in the grounds and walked for some time, plunged in close, concentrated thought.

When he returned to the house, he had his plan completed, and he went to find Lola. In the hall he met Mrs. De Witt, who assumed an air of disconsolate trouble.

"Where is everybody?" she asked. "I am all alone. Won't you take pity on me, M. Turrian?"

"Where is Sir Jaffray?" he asked, wishing the woman at the bottom of the sea.

"Sir Jaffray and Lola have gone out riding. Sir Jaffray had a sudden summons to a meeting of county folks about some political business or other, and Lola has ridden off with him. They're like a couple of ridiculous lovers in their first calf love, those two. Isn't it absurd? They must always be together."

"Time will change all that," said the Frenchman. "It is not the sort of folly of which you would be guilty, madame?"

"Do you mean that nastily?"

"No, indeed. But you know so well how to keep at a cool distance from your admirers, even from your husband." And he bowed. He felt vicious at Lola's absence, and Mrs. De Witt's pertness irritated him.

"Men are like mites under the microscope, requiring to be kept at a focus distance."

"Possibly, but be careful. The microscope may serve as the burning glass of passion and warm them into life," he answered insolently, looking at her with an expression in his eyes which made her flush. "Come," he said, passing his arm through hers and leading her away to the music hall; "let me sing to you."

"Anything to kill the time till tonight," was his thought.

"What shall I sing to you?" he asked, putting her close to him by

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of Bradford.

FOR JURY COMMISSIONER,
WALTER OSTRANDER,
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A. G. SMYTHE of Lancaster county has been appointed Consul to Stratford, Canada, at a salary of $2,000 a year.

THE President has appointed John B. Shaw of Clearfield county as Consul to Varnacouilla, Columbia. The salary is $2,500.

THOMAS L. HICKS was nominated last Saturday by the President as postmaster of Philadelphia. The appointment seems to be very satisfactory to the denizens of the Quaker City.

SHERIFF JAMES MARTIN of Luzerne county and 73 of his deputies were each held in the sum of $6,000 for their appearance at the regular term of court in that county, charged with the murder of 24 strikers at Lattimer.

THE editor of this paper had business in Potter county during the past week, and having heard that our neighboring bailiwick was a hot bed of Mullinism, took especial pains to inquire into the condition of affairs and was most agreeably surprised to find the rumor was without foundation, that Judge Morrison was the prime favorite and would control the majority vote, several prominent Democrats expressing themselves in his favor, over the gentleman whom it is claimed has a clear field.—Mt. Jewett News.

THE coal miners' strike which has kept the country as well as business in a turmoil for about three months, was virtually ended last Wednesday. About 180,000 miners resumed their labors. It would be almost impossible to estimate the loss in wages to the miners or the loss of money to the employers, as well as to consumers in the increased price of coal. May this expensive experiment prove a lesson to the strikers as they have been the principal losers, not alone in wages, but in the death of several of their number in the unfortunate affair at Lattimer in the anthracite coal regions week before last.

THE American farmer is not the only one who will give thanks for the foreign demand for his products, which has helped to send up prices. It is a perfect godsend to the free traders. They will have something to talk about when embarrassing questions are put to them in regard to the opening of factories, the increase in wages and the revival of business which has come immediately upon the passage of a protective tariff law. It will give him a hole through which to crawl away from the obvious meaning of such facts—a pretty small hole, to be sure, but then any hole is big enough for a free trader.—American Economist.

EUGENE MULLIN, the Democratic candidate for Judge in this judicial district, sent a letter of congratulation to the Democrats of Potter county for their hearty endorsement of W. J. Bryan and the Chicago platform of 1896, after the Potter county convention was held this year. Mr. Mullin attended the Democratic convention in this county which just as heartily endorsed the Chicago platform, but for some reason when he addressed the convention he failed to congratulate the members for their endorsement of the National Democratic platform of 1896. How is this, Mr. Lindsley? You evidently saw that letter of congratulation to the Democrats of Potter county. You are bitterly opposed to the Chicago platform and its doctrine. A word of explanation on this point would be highly appreciated by your readers in your support of Mr. Mullin.

THE editor of the down town sheet has been thrown into all kinds of convulsions during the last year about the MINER'S position, politically and otherwise, hoping that by continually harping on the MINER he would be able to draw the attention of the public from his own precarious position. He well knows that he is distrusted by the sound money men of the Democratic party and the silver wing has no faith in him, and they have very good reasons for losing faith. During the campaign last year he pretended to be a sound money man, yet he advocated the election of men who were nominated by a convention that heartily endorsed the Chicago platform. This year the Democratic county convention reiterated the endorsement of last year and nominated Eugene Mullin as their candidate for Additional Law Judge of the 48th Judicial District. Mr. Mullin last year stumped the counties of McKean and Potter, advocating with all his power the election of W. J. Bryan on the Chicago platform with all its odious planks, which the down-town sheet so loudly decried. Now the editor of that sheet whips into line and advocates the election of Mr. Mullin, who was nominated by the convention that so heartily endorsed last year's silver platform. No wonder this sell made teacher in newspaper courtesy tries to draw attention to other papers, when he looks over the field and discovers what a contemptible position he occupies. He is truly an Ishmaelite in his own party.

THE DUTY OF REPUBLICANS.

Before the judicial campaign opened a sentiment prevailed throughout the district that the campaign should be non-partisan in its character. That Judge Morrison was learned, upright and efficient and that his services on the bench commanded the respect and confidence of every honest citizen. And so in deference to this sentiment the leading politicians of both parties and nearly all the newspapers in the district, without regard to party, gave Judge Morrison's candidacy a hearty endorsement. Why is it that a Democratic candidate confronts us; that party lines are drawn and partisan sympathies are appealed to? Is Judge Morrison less, or is party aggrandizement or personal ambition more? There is but one solution to this question. The same element which stole the Chicago convention and foisted upon the Democratic party a platform repugnant to its feelings and antagonistic to its long established and cherished principles, obtained control of the convention at Smethport and nominated Mr. Mullin. They not only nominated Mr. Mullin but adopted a platform endorsing all the heresies of the Chicago platform—a platform which had been condemned by the wisest Democratic statesmen, condemned by the rank and file of the Democratic party, and condemned and repudiated by the people at the polls. On this platform they placed their candidate and now he stands before us with a resolution demanding non-partisan elections in one hand and the Chicago platform in the other. His advocates not only ask that good old Democrats should abandon their settled monetary principles which have been upheld by all their sages of preeminent fame, but that Republicans should stultify their record, smother their convictions, and rally under the banners of this fantastic combination of Mullin, free silver and political legerdemain.

The work of the convention was an anomaly. It was not enough that in the election of last year the Democratic party was decapitated. The Smethport convention determined to unite the severed members. But in their bungling surgery they put the head on with the face backward; so that we now gaze confounded at the prodigy, for when it appears to be retreating it is advancing towards us, and what appears to be approaching is receding from our sight.

The nomination of Mr. Mullin upon a party platform raised at once the party standard and made a clean cut political issue inevitable. With this issue thus forced upon us what is the duty of Republicans? Clearly to stand by Judge Morrison as he stood by us when the thunders of revolution were resounding and the Union was in peril. Let us not be deceived. Every vote cast for Mr. Mullin is not merely an expression of personal choice, not merely a compliment of personal friendship, but it is also an affirmance of the principles and an approval of the platform upon which he stands. Every vote is weighted with meaning. As a candidate, he stands representing certain principles—and support of the representative is support of all that is represented.

If Mr. Mullin's nomination had been made without a declaration of principles of which he was to be the especial champion and representative, there might be some room for claiming non-partisan support, but he stands inseparably linked to such a declaration, with the Chicago platform badge fastened to his breast, and the support of one becomes inevitably the endorsement of the other. Will Republicans now abandon all they have struggled so hard to win? Will they be duped by the cry of non partisan election and swallow, with a tremendous gulp, Mullin, free silver and political deceit?—Bradford Era.

THE JUDICIARY.

Written for the Republican.

The judicial branch of government in a great and free republic is the most potent agent in its organization. It ramifies through its great system as the blood through a human body, purifying, cleansing and strengthening. It stands like a mighty feudal baron between the weak and the tyrannical; in fact it is to the American people the barbican at which crime, injustice and anarchy falter and fall back, dismayed. This branch of government which is so closely and universally related to the affairs of man, must, of necessity, be built up of the best balanced and best trained minds available. Of this class Judge Morrison, the Republican candidate for re-election in the 48th Judicial District, is the most typical of representatives; he has proved himself qualified beyond all criticism, and to day stands at his post with the record of an almost unerring judgment.

The gifted Eugene Mullin, candidate for judge on the Democratic ticket, like his contemporary, Mr. Cotter, is a man of talent and eloquence. The rogue trembles when he thunders at him his cross question, and none could desire a braver or more loyal champion in the forum, to defend innocence, or to stay the sword of justice over the neck of the transgressor. But the ends of justice and public welfare embodied in the laws, are best subserved, not by talent and eloquence of that character on the bench, but by keenness and penetration, a calm, imperturbable, though swift insight into the res gestæ, and a reason trained to induction, discriminating wise'y as to when justice should be tempered with mercy; a mind always tending toward the fulfillment and execution of the laws of the people, and through the strain of long, tedious hours of litigation, to always preserve the power of attention and concentration. These are the powers of mind which Hon. T. A. Morrison has long ago proved that he possesses. And to such judges on the bench can be safely submitted the differences arising between men. There are good judges who, in ordinary practice, would not be greatly successful lawyers, and their are brilliant lawyers who would be out of there element on the bench. Judge Morrison should be re elected.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY was called by some prophetic follower, "the advance agent of posperity." Between November and March the free-traders more than once, in an effort to be smart said that never was an "advance agent" so far ahead of his show. As was pointed out to them at the time, the delay in the coming of the "show" was due to the United States constitution, which put so long a time between the election of a President and his inauguration. How do those free-traders like things now? Even the most bide bound do not deny that prosperity is here; is not in the future, but in the present. The "show" was not far behind the advance agent as soon as the advance agent got a chance to get in his work.—American Economist.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20, '97.—President McKinley has not complained because he failed to get any rest while away from Washington, on his recent vacation, but he has arranged for another little trip which he thinks will give him some rest. He is going to the Berkshire hills of Massachusetts, where himself and Mrs. McKinley will be guests at the residence of an old friend. It is not probable that President McKinley has done a harder week's work since he was inaugurated than he has just completed, but he has got all the routine work up to date again now, and as there are no important matters pressing, he feels free to go away again and try to get himself braced up a little for the arduous duties of the winter. He was surprised to find so many office seekers awaiting him when he returned, but he saw as many of them as he possibly could and made a number of appointments, which, of course, also made a much larger number of disappointments. He is very much interested in the greater New York campaign, and willingly listened to those who had information to impart concerning it, but he says only enough to draw them out. He has expressed no opinion on the subject.

It was definitely settled at a conference between the President and Consul General Lee that the latter should return to Cuba at the expiration of his leave of absence, or earlier if circumstances should make his presence there necessary. This indicates that General Lee will continue as Consul General to Cuba for sometime yet. His leave of absence expires early in October.

Pension Commissioner Evans, ex-Commissioner (Corporal) Tanner and General Baird accompanied the Washington members of the Union Veteran Legion, who left this afternoon on a special train for Columbus, Ohio, where the 12th National Encampment of the Legion will be held this week.

Under the new policy of the pension bureau, to give the papers of applicants for original pension preference, Commissioner Evans estimates that two hundred thousand applications which have been hung up under the Democratic policy will be disposed of during the present fiscal year.

Secretary Alger is determined to find out as much as possible about the condition of things in the Klondike region, in order to be able to carry out his project of sending food into that region, if it becomes necessary to prevent suffering among the numerous Americans who have gone there, at his own expense but in the name of the government of the United States. As a step in that direction he has been conferring with Mr. Joseph Ladue of Dawson City, a gentleman lately from the Klondike and who has mining interests there. Arrangements have been completed for sending a company of U. S. soldiers to St. Michael, Alaska, for the purpose of maintaining order and protecting property at that point.

The free trade press regards it, or tries to make it appear to the public that it so regards the matter, that the compelling of foreign manufacturers, who have established a market in this country for their wares, to start factories over here or lose their American trade, is a misfortune, but it does not so appear to sensible people, whether they are Republicans or not. It is clear enough that every establishment employing labor started and maintained in the United States must necessarily add to the prosperity of our people, and while increased prosperity for the people may be a misfortune for the professional calamity howlers among the Democratic and Populist politicians, it will certainly not be so regarded by those who get additional work and become sharers of the increased prosperity. If everything consumed or used in the United States could be made by our own citizens, it would be one of the very best things that could happen to the country. It was largely because we bought so much stuff of foreign production, brought here under the low rates of the Democratic tariff, that we had such a long period of business and industrial depression. These are facts that should be constantly kept in mind by the people of the United States.

OUR CANDIDATE.

The Philadelphia Inquirer says that "for some reason" the Star "hesitates to say" that the Hon. C. W. Stone will get the delegates from the northwestern counties. Neglect to say would be better. The Star does not hesitate to express its opinion that Mr. Stone will get the delegates if he shall want them; but we omitted to declare the conviction for the reason that it did not occur to us that any person who is conversant with the facts and acquainted with the situation harbored a doubt on that point. No other man in public life commands so large a measure of confidence and esteem in this section of the State—no other can hope to rally support so enthusiastic and so nearly unanimous. The people of this section know Hon. C. W. Stone intimately. They admire and trust him. They have followed his public career with pride. They know that he is a clean man, an honest man, in every relation of life, private and public, and that in intellectual ability and profound knowledge of the principles of economics, of finance and of sound government, State and National, he has no superior in Pennsylvania. We voice the sentiment of a section with whose people we are tolerably well acquainted in saying that in the estimation of the northwest, Hon. Charles W. Stone would be an ideal Governor. —Bradford Star.

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The end of the bituminous coal strike and the return of many thousand men to work at advanced wages adds to the purchasing power of the people, and the anthracite strike affects not a fifth as many workers. The starting of many mines and works, the enormous exports of wheat and corn, the favorable news as to those crops and cotton, the fall in sterling exchange and the report showing that gold imports began in August, exceeding exports by $2,390,567, while merchandise exports exceeded imports by $40,953,753, have all contributed to forward the improvement to business. The replenishment of stocks cannot be half finished, though some who could see no sign of improvement a few weeks ago are now finding it so vast and rapid that they fear exaction. But consumers as well as dealers have also to supply themselves after years of enforced economy, and while their power to purchase is increasing every day, and their actual buying at retail, reasons for apprehension are not urgent. When the tide rises after four years of depression it does not fall again after four weeks.

The wheat market has declined over 5 cts. on account of crop reports which promise larger prosperity, and corn and cotton are both a little lower for like reasons. Yet estimates of the highest financial authorities regarding requirements from this country are not smaller, but larger than before, while better prospects in Argentina, Australia and India hold out no promise of large European supplies, or of any until winter is about over. Atlantic exports of wheat, flour included, are more than double last year's each week, and in two weeks 8,820,313 bushels against 4,107,721 last year, and of corn 7,095,563 bushels against 3,987,826 last year. From the Pacific coast wheat is also moving largely, 22 cargoes from San Francisco this month, and over 548,965 bushels in seven days from Portland. Corn declined over 3 cts with growing belief that the yield will surpass estimates. Cotton was depressed from 7 1-2 to 7 cts. with favorable news of yield, although the mills are now consuming with great rapidity.

Certainly you don't want to suffer with dyspepsia, constipation, sick headache, sallow skin and loss of appetite. You have never tried DeWitt's Little Early Risers for these complaints or you would have been cured. They are small pills but great regulators. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

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On Oct. 1st the rooms over Lemmler's harness shop will be vacant. These are fine rooms and the rent is reasonable. Inquire of E. C. GLEASON,
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WANTED—A position as book-keeper or stenographer by a young lady graduate. She is thoroughly prepared and anxious for experience. Moderate salary. She is one of the very finest writers in the State. Send for a specimen of her work. If you have a position of any kind to offer. Address Bradford Business College of Employment, Bradford, Pa.

WANTED—Gentleman to take charge of a business in Smethport, on salary or commission. Address with reference, Champion Novelty Works, Middletown, Pa.

Notice.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF ADMINISTRATORS, Executors and Guardians having been settled in the office of the Register of Wills, the same will be presented for confirmation at the Orphan's Court, to be held at Smethport, in and for the County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, on the first Monday of October, A. D. 1897.

First and final account of K. B. Sage, administrator of the estate of John Dougherty, deceased.

First and final account of Frank E. Burley, administrator of the estate of C. A. Burley, deceased.

First and final account of H. Shaulis, administrator of the estate of William A. Barnes, deceased.

First and final account of W. H. Dennis, administrator of the estate of Geo. H. Morgan, deceased.

First and final account of R. J. Haycroft, executor of the last will and testament of J. J. Galligan, deceased.

First and partial account of D. H. Rook, administrator of the estate of Eliza Wagner, deceased.

Final account of Geo. W. Newland, guardian of Aden W. Newland, minor child of Sarah L. Newland, deceased.

GEO. W. MITCHELL, Register.
H. M. CHOATE, Deputy.
Smethport, Pa., Sept. 7th, 1897.

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2-inch harness snaps 4c, 1½ inch 3c, harness eockeyes 5c, hame and tug staples 3c, (not 10c) heavy sweat pad 30c, hame straps, heavy & durable, 12c, 50c bridle, bits 5c each. Whips 8c to 95c, best steel curry comb 14c, surcingles, best 35c.

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New York Counts,
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Having purchased the wood work department of C. W. Lilligendahl, I am prepared to do all kinds of

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Administrator's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of John S. Kirkland, late of Norwich township, McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to N. C. Gallup, residing in Norwich township, said county, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment at once, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

N. C. GALLUP, Administrator.
Colegrove, Pa., Sept. 4, 1897.—3t.

Notice of Application for Transfer of License.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the next Quarter Sessions of McKean county, Pennsylvania, at the Court House, Smethport, in the said county, on Monday, October 4th, 1897, at two o'clock p. m. or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for the transfer of a license granted to Frank N. Taylor May 17, 1897, by the said court, to keep a hotel known as the Parker Hotel situate on the west side of Main street in the village of Gardeau, Norwich township, McKean county, Pa., to N. H. Parker, now a resident of the village of Gardeau aforesaid, and by occupation a farmer.

JOHN N. APPLE,
Sept. 16, 1897.—3t-31 Att'y for N. H. Parker.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 225, February Term, 1897.

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.:—THE COMMONWEALTH of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Eva Wright did, on the 6th day of January, 1897, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Warner Wright.

We therefore command you, the said Warner Wright, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean, on the first Monday of October next to answer the petition or libel of Eva Wright, and show cause, if any you have, why the said Eva Wright, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Hereof fail not.

A true copy. J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.
J. M. McClure, Lieutenant's Attorney.
Smethport, Pa., Sept. 9, 1897.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve
Cures Piles, Scalds, Burns.

T. H. Purtle,
Smethport, Pa.,
Has the following For Sale at reasonable prices:

Two Top Buggies
One Three Spring Wagon
Two Farm Wagons, 4-in. tires
One Heavy Lumber Wagon
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These will be sold at cost:

Fifteen sets of Buggy wheels
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Having just opened a new grocery in the Tracey building, at East Smethport, I am prepared to compete with anyone in regard to price and quality of goods. Give me a call and be convinced. Full line of cigars, tobacco and confectionery.

Geo. W. King,
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1897 COLUMBIAS, STANDARD OF THE WORLD.	AT	$75
1896 COLUMBIAS,	AT	60
1897 HARTFORDS,	AT	50
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HARTFORDS, PAT. 5 & 6,	AT	30

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M. L. ARMSTRONG, Agent,
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We wish to inform the ladies of Olean and vicinity, we have added to our stock a complete line of ladies, misses and children's popular price shoes. Would be pleased to have you call and look them over.

All the new styles in Fall Hats just received.

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Mr. Lindholm has just returned from the Metropolis of America where he has studied the styles and fabrics in vogue in that Summer City of Fashion. We place at your disposal this week the results of his efforts in

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Don't forget our other departments.

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Sept. 21, 1897.

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Smethport, Pa.

McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

SMETHPORT, FRIDAY, SEPT. 17, 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Repair the side walks.

—If you cannot come send a letter ordering your job work.

—J. N. Apple has had his home on King street reshingled.

—See that your taxes are paid in time to entitle you to a vote.

—Criminal court convenes here one week from next Monday.

—The glass works at Mt. Jewett started up again last week.

—Andy Campbell has built an addition to his barn on his farm below town.

—J. W. Brennan has his mill connected by telephone with the town system.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Watkins are rejoicing over a baby boy which arrived Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith of Bush Hill received a little girl stranger last Friday night.

—Several young people from this place took in the dance at Turtle Point last Friday night.

—Sister Mary Joseph of Erie was here Wednesday soliciting funds for an Orphans' school.

—Miss Elida Wright gave a birthday tea to a number of her young lady friends last Wednesday.

—Some of the school boys of this place are making arrangements to organize a fife and drum corps.

—Gifford's mill shut down Wednesday night awaiting a flood in Potato creek to bring down more stock.

—Trick Meycle riders are getting quite numerous in Smethport. Some of the boys are very "unsooth."

—Read Marens' adv. He quotes some prices this week. When in Olean don't forget this popular store.

—McKean Bros. will put in a stock of about 4,000,000 feet of hemlock at their mill at McKeans' switch.

—Fraley street, Kane, will soon be paved with brick. The mountain village is becoming metropolitan.

—Leon Grigsby, who had been ill for some time resumed his duties at the Wright House, Wednesday.

—The Eldred and Smethport kid ball teams played a game at Hamlin Park last Saturday. Smethport won.

—Mrs. Mabel Conkling of Brooklyn, N. Y., gave a temperance lecture at Coryville last Monday night.

—Carpenters were at work Tuesday lowering the windows in the building occupied by J. R. Walkinshaw.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Greer were made the happy parents of an eight and one-half pound baby girl last Friday.

—John A. Russell of Bradford died very suddenly of heart disease early last Wednesday morning, aged 39 years.

M. S. Comes will put down a well for gas or oil on his farm about 3 miles southwest of this place in the near future.

—To "Anxious Reader" we will say that the fish which recently sold for $50 in the Klondike regions was not a gold fish.

—The telephone company have men engaged in putting another arm on the poles in town capable of holding ten wires.

—Sneak thieves entered the residence of F. F. Alder, No. 21 High street, Bradford, last Saturday and stole $230 from a trunk.

—The Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association will hold its annual convention at at Harrisburg, October 12 to 14 inclusive.

—Letter heads, note heads, envelopes and all kinds of first class stationery on hand at this office. Visiting and business cards a specialty.

—Mrs. F. A. Mason has put out a neat plumbers sign in front of her hardware store. The artistic work was performed by Dick Hewlett.

—Read Lee Ono's adv. in another column. He has cut his prices on laundry work and has employed two new laundrymen to assist him.

—E. A. Colburn of Corydon township sent to the office a few peaches of his own raising. The peaches were rather small but of a fine flavor.

—William Haskell was confined to the house several days last week and part of this week with an attack of lumbago. He is better at this writing.

—Last Tuesday morning the mercury fell to 27 above zero. The earliest frost thus far this season was the result and crops of various kinds suffered.

—Charles Dibble of Duke Center, while visiting at Davis City, was seriously injured by being kicked by his horse, while taking care of the animal in the stable.

—The Harrisburg Telegraph issued an eight page illustrated supplement last week showing the wonders of Baltimore, the monumental city. It is a fine work.

—Andrews & Conkling of Olean call your attention this week in their advertisement to their elegant line of carpets. They quote some prices that will interest you.

—Elk county has three men in the Ridgway jail charged with murder and one with attempt to kill. This will keep the attorneys of that county busy for some time.

—The K. O. T. M. will give a ten cent dance at the opera house Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, Oct. 4, 5 and 6. Heaths' orchestra will furnish the motive power.

—McKean county teachers' institute will be held at the court house commencing Monday, Oct. 11 continuing until Friday night. A fine corps of lecturers have been selected.

—A little boy knocked at the residence of George Barbour last Monday night seeking shelter from the cold. Mr. and Mrs Barbour kindly granted shelter to the little waif.

—Fritz Bleck, whose residence up Marvin creek was destroyed by fire about three weeks ago has a temporary residence erected and has been occupying the same for several days.

—Miss Alice Thamm gave a party to a number of her young friends last Saturday night, the occasion being her sixteenth birthday. Those present enjoyed themselves greatly.

—From the reports in regard to gold and silver discoveries in this section, one is almost led to believe that western New York and Pennsylvania will be a Klondike in themselves.

—There will be a game of base ball tomorrow between our nine and the Roulette team on the Port Allegany fair grounds. Toll will be in the box. Look out for a hot game.

—Old Man Racket comes out this week with a red-hot change of advertisement. The Racket Store carries a complete line of goods and prices are always low as the lowest. Read the ady.

—Rich & Campbell's Show exhibited in town three days last week to fair sized audiences. The show is all right. "Stub" Campbell, the Bradford bicycle rider, is the bright particular star of the aggregation.

—Roger Sherman, a prominent attorney of Titusville, died of heart disease while taking breakfast in a New York City hotel last Sunday morning. The remains were brought to his home at Titusville Monday.

—Burgess Hogarth received a letter yesterday from another glass factory, seeking a better location. This plant employs about 200 men, but wishes to increase its force. This begins to look like business.

—L. Emery, Jr., & Co's Great Supply House of Bradford have a new story to tell you in their large advertisement this week. Almost everything that could be imagined can be found at this immmoth establishment.

—The report reached here last Saturday night that Miss Kate Hoyle, head waitress at the St. James hotel, Bradford, had become an heiress by the death of uncle in Wheeling, W. Va. May the rumor prove true.

—Smethport ought to have at least one interesting game of ball before the season closes. If a good team was secured to play against the home club there is little doubt but what the game would be well patronized.

—The jury in the Barnsdall divorce case brought in a verdict at about 10:30 last Sunday morning. The verdict dismisses Mr. Barnsdall's petition for a divorce. After so many trials this ought to settle the matter.

—Be sure to read the local notice and change of advertisement of D. C. Young this week. This is a golden opportunity for those who contemplate the purchase of a new winter suit or overcoat that will fit, at a reasonable price.

—Work has been commenced on James McKean's new barn. It will be built on the site of the old one, which burned several weeks ago. Joe McCarty will do the stone work and D. L. Forsythe has the contract for carpenter work.

—Last week F. C. Olds of Newerf entered into a contract to supply a firm with 800,000 feet of hardwood. For the last six days the average output of the mill has been 41,321 feet daily. Mr. Olds evidently believes in rushing business.

—Last Saturday afternoon while Dist. Att'y Sheridan Gorton was gracefully skipping around on his lawn tennis ground he made a misstep and ruptured a tendon in the calf of his right leg. He was confined to the house until Monday.

—Paul and Orlo Hamlin and Guy Mayo last Tuesday night received from their friend, Melville Gillett, two souvenir coffee cups from the Nashville Exposition. They prize them very highly and take great pleasure in exhibiting them to their friends.

—J. W. McCarty has about 30 men employed cutting stone near Crosby. He has secured one contract from parties in Buffalo for 600 carloads of stone. He has another contract but we are unable to give the figures at this writing. Joe seems to be right in the swim.

—The disciples of Blackstone residing at Olean went to Salamanca last Saturday to play ball with a like number of legal lights from the reservation and were handsomely defeated and feasted by the latter team. They had a good time, but oh, how sore they were after the fun was over.

—Tom Pelky of Emporium, who went to Alaska less than one year ago, has struck it rich. In forty-seven days Pelky and three other men took out $30,000 worth of the yellow metal. Pelky and his partner, Chapman, it is claimed have sold their mine for $70,000, and located another claim.

—Charles Hicky, a veteran of the late war, died at the county farm last Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock, aged 67 years. He belonged to the 50th N. Y. Engineer Regiment and had been a locomotive engineer for a number of years. The funeral services were held at 9 a. m. yesterday morning under the auspices of the G. A. R. Post. The remains were placed in the soldiers' lot on Rose Hill. Thus has another brave soldier gone to his reward.

—T. H. Clark has done an excellent job of plumbing in the C. K. Sartwell residence. One great improvement he introduced was to attach a burner to the hot water tank, which leaves the tank disconnected with the stove, and does away with a hot fire during the warm weather in order to have hot water. There have been great improvements made in this house. Mr. Sasse with paper and paint has made the rooms very attractive and it will prove to be one of the most pleasant residences in town.

—All persons interested in the organization of a foot ball team, either as base or players, are requested to meet at the Grand Central parlors this (Friday) evening. A good turnout will insure some lively sport this fall.

—Your attention is directed to the advertisements of E. P. Southwick & Co. of Bradford, which appear on each side of the title page of this paper. This enterprising firm invite you to make their store your headquarters when in Bradford. Everything usually kept in a first class drug store will be found there and prices are right.

—Joseph Leeson, the first man to make a garden at the poor farm when that institution was started years ago, brought the MINER samples of his handiwork in the line of cabbages, tomatoes, carrots and onions. As a gardener Mr. Leeson cannot be excelled as is witnessed by the quality of his garden truck. Last year he raised a head of cabbage that weighed 38 pounds.

—D. C. Young has had a fine corn crib erected on the Crosemire farm. John Hungerford was the chief engineer. One day or night last week the neighbors gathered and had a regular jollification, but in some manner forgot to invite Mr. Young to attend—a gross piece of negligence on their part. It must have been like a wedding with the groom absent.

—Mr. Lindholm having returned from his trip to New York city, the entire force is kept busy placing the large assortment of goods that he purchased on his trip in the most attractive style for the edification of their many customers. Do not wait, but go at once and see what a consoisseur Mr. Lindholm has proven to be in the selection of goods that are pleasing to the eyes of our fair sex. See adv.

—The first accident on the new B. R. & P., loop occurred yesterday when forty-five pounds of dynamite in a shop on McMinn's Summit "let go." The building was blown into atoms and several men injured. A colored laborer named Ben Royal had an eye blown out and Harry Williams, another colored man had his throat cut from ear to ear by a flying piece of metal. The later will die.—Elk Democrat.

—The only original official has made another cut in its advertising rates. It is now making contracts for advertising space at the munificent price of $39.00 per column a year. At these figures the official organ ought to be able to get plenty of business, even if its patrons do not—McKean Democrat. Will Mr. Lindsley have the kindness to give the name of the newspaper he accuses of making contracts at the above rates.

—Commissioner Lemuel Davis and Sup't T. H. Ryan conveyed Childrick Butler of Eldred township to Warren Monday. Butler was an inmate of the Warren asylum about 7 years ago, remaining there about 6 months, and was sent home restored in mind. He was with the Eldred constable during the attempted arrest of Hart, the horseman, and the excitement seems to have unbalanced his mind as he began to rave again.

—The Erie Dispatch recently published a 4-page extra, illustrating the great improvements to the borough of Kane, a copy of which reached our desk yesterday. The illustrations show some of the most thriving business places, with half-tone cuts of the most enterprising business men, among which is the portrait of our townsmen, Col. Lucius Rogers. Kane is to be congratulated over its bright prospects.

—Chet King the bustling boniface of Port Allegany was over last Wednesday distributing posters announcing the great ball game to come off there to-morrow between Smethport and Roulette for a purse of $100. Mr. King has imported an umpire from Rochester and the game of the season may be expected. Game will be called at 3 p. m. Chet says this is the last game of the season and invites you to come early and avoid the rush.

—Messrs. Stoner & Co. of Hazelhurst recently struck one of the finest gas wells in the Bradford sand ever found in this section of the county on warrant 2556 on Marvin creek about 9 miles southwest of this borough. This developes a new field of gas. This well is located on what is better known as the Haywood lands. This company will try to drill to the Kane sand, but the pressure of gas is so strong that they may be prevented from accomplishing their object.

—The following persons were granted marriage licenses since our last issue: E. G. Backlett and Miss Sarah G. Davis, Bradford; Geo. F. Russell of Austin and Sadie C. McCormick, Portage Creek; J. E. McCord and Rosey M. Hulme, Bradford; Edward W. Carl, Gardeau, and Anna L. Gaynor, Clermont; Robert Fiore and Chiara Mellillo both of Bradford; Fred W. Lunnstein and Miss Gertrude E. Barlow both of Kane; Jay B. Ridelle of Shirley, W. Va., and Miss Anna Mahan of Toad Hollow.

—John Rivers, who lives a short distance up Potato creek, has taken time by the forelock and advertised for a housekeeper in one of the Buffalo papers. He is not particular as to age—anywhere from 25 to 40 years would do. Mr. Rivers has a little cottage on the torturous and shimmering Nununduh waters. Here is an opportunity that ought not to be allowed to slip. Some of our fair damsels ought for humanity's sake to assist the inconsolable John in his solitude. Who will be the first to come forward?

—The Times is issued this morning under distressing and embarassing circumstances. Shortly after 7 o'clock last evening something went wrong with the electric light connections and the office was in darkness. The electricians did not discover the fault in the line and consequently the lights were off for the remainder of the night. After much delay lanterns and lamps were secured and here we are.—Monday's Olean Times. Come up in the gas country neighbor and you will not find it necessary to grope around in the dark to set type.

—The opera "Maritana" given last night under the direction of Mr. Mullette was a grand success in every feature. The Gypsy Chorus in their oriental costumes were very attractive and their sweet voices blended harmoniously. Misses Grace and Agnes McCoy, Elida Wright and Mrs. Mullette deserve special mention. Orlo Hamlin made an ideal count. Miss Helen McCoy presided at the piano, and the band also furnished some excellent music. There was a good house and everyone pleased. A pleasant little dance was indulged in afterwards. Dancing with "Spanish girls" was a novelty.

—The Smethport Gun Club, aside from being composed of some of the noted marksmen in this section, is a human organization, as was evidenced at their weekly meet last Tuesday afternoon. During the shoot a timid little cottontail ventured to preamble in their midst. Of course, sportsmen like, they could not resist taking "a crack" at him, but when the trusty fowling pieces were leveled on bunnie their better self took possession and they to a man failed to harm "the pretty little thing." At least 30 shots were fired, but said rabbit is still at home in the old homestead. Paul Hamlin states that "there were no stumps near on which to take a rest." Guy Mayo says if he had had black powder bunnie would now be hanging in his wigwam.

—Smethport is making heroic efforts to clear of the blanket of indifference and industrial standing, that for years has enveloped the place, and start a boom factory with a view to furnishing employment to a large percentage of her population, which will shortly be without work through the discontinuance of the manufacture of lumber. Hemlock trees are becoming very scarce in McKean county and there are other towns that must also give themselves an extra shake or prosperity will proceed to do the act for them.—Mt. Jewett Herald.

—Forty-page catalogues have been issued from the MINER office for the library, which Hon. B. D. Hamlin generously donated to the Smethport schools. The first drawing of books will be made to-morrow. This library is free to all teachers and scholars in this school district, providing said scholars are over ten years of age. Any other resident of the district who wishes to draw a book can do so by paying the small sum of five cents at the time the book is taken. All persons drawing books are subject to certain rules and regulations which appear in the catalogue. The library is located in the school building with Miss Rena Richmond as librarian. Our representatives and State officials could do nothing that would please the people better than to donate to this library valuable works, furnished by the government and commonwealth.

To the Citizens of Smethport.

Last winter notwithstanding dull times and a gloomy prospect the people of Smethport united to form an entertainment association. As a result our inhabitants were given the rare privilege of enjoying musical and literary talent such as is heard only in cities.

There is now about $25 in the association treasury.

What are we do this winter?

The financial outlook is most encouraging.

The entertainment association, profiting by past experience, is able to secure a course satisfactory to all and at less expense.

Citizens, is it not a profitable investment to provide for our boys and girls, men and women, an opportunity of listening to beautiful, enobling music and eloquent oratory? The reading of books is healthful, but the same thoughts presented by a brilliant, witty orator quicken and elevate the minds of individuals otherwise content with a commonplace, apathetic existence.

But few of the people of Smethport have time or means for extensive travel. Yet for less expense than for one European trip our citizens may all have one evening enjoy many fine views of noted cities, beautiful mountain scenery, famous art collections and acquire vivid, lasting impressions of people and nations such as cannot be obtained from books.

Readings and impersonations form another class of popular and pleasing entertainments. The sly, droll humor of Geo. W. Cable's sketches of creole life have an added charm when rendered by the author. Dicken's characters become living realities when portrayed by such artists as Leland Powers.

One word in regard to the musicales of last year. In my opinion many of the criticisms were just. The programs were doubtless unsatisfactory because the artists did not appreciate the musical taste and capacity of their audience. It is not necessary that such mistakes should again occur.

A number of citizens have expressed themselves as desirous of a series of entertainments for the coming winter. We would like the opinion of others.

Very respectfully,

MARY BRENNAN.

By all means give us another course of entertainments this season.

The Stark Steam Laundry.

A visit to the Stark Steam Laundry, owned by Wash Stark, located in the Backus building opposite the court house, will convince anyone that Smethport has a new enterprise to be proud of and one that has long been needed.

In the basement of the building are located an engine and boiler which will furnish power to run the plant. On this floor are also located the large tub, in which the clothes are washed, a starching machine and a very ingenious steam wringer.

On the main floor of the building are the drying closets, where the clothes are thoroughly dried by heat from a number of steam pipes, and the ironing machines of which there are three for ironing the different parts of the garment. A machine for shaping the collars and cuffs is also on this floor.

Mr. Stark has secured the services of W. L. Weide, a first class laundryman, who knows the business from start to finish and will have charge of the work. Besides the usual run of laundry work Mr. Stark will make a specialty of doing family washings.

The laundry will open for business on next Monday and deserves the patronage of all our citizens. Mr. Stark has been to a large expense in starting this plant and we wish him success in his venture. Give him a trial.

Fatal Shooting Accident.

A deplorable shooting accident occurred on Mount Raub shortly afternoon on Saturday. Harry Connolly, a well known printer, accompanied by Willie Connolly, his 12-year-old nephew, started from the latter's home on Hillside avenue to the woods on Mount Raub on a hunting expedition. After proceeding a short distance up the hill Connolly sent the boy back home for a pail of water. After the lad had been gone a short time Connolly fired a charge of shot at a stump, a short distance below where he was seated. He had no idea that Willie was near when he fired, but the lad was not far from the stump, and one shot penetrated his heart.

The lad staggered from the bushes and told his uncle he had shot him. Connolly assisted the wounded boy back to his home, where he died in a few moments.

Coroner Sherman investigated the shooting, and finding that it was purely accidental, concluded that an inquest would not be necessary.

Funeral services were held at the Connolly residence yesterday afternoon, and the remains were interred at Oak Hill cemetery.—Monday's Era.

Attention L. O. T. M.

There will be a special meeting of the L. O. T. M., Saturday evening, Sept. 25. All members requested to be present as there is special business of much importance to be transacted.

R. K.

Have you seen "Solomon Isaacs?"

An awful fine cigar—"Solomon Isaacs."

Five cents will buy a "Solomon Isaacs."

Don't fail to get a "Solomon Isaacs" cigar.

The enrollment of the Bradford Business College has reached the fifty mark and others are coming in every day. Mr. F. F. Williams, a recent graduate, was located this week as operator at Custer City, Pa.

Lost:—Umbrella. Black steel frame, with cover torn. Silver handle with initials engraved.

F. B. MAYO.

Good house and lot for sale. Inquire at this office or of the undersigned.

tf M. S. COMES.

Gleason, the photographer, is now ready to take pictures of your residences.

PERSONAL MENTION.

C. M. Stannard, of Olean, is in town to-day.

W. A. Ostrander spent Sunday last in Olean.

Mrs. Mary A. Bach is visited Bradford Saturday.

Waldo Sause was down from Kane Saturday last.

Miss Lucy Mitchell visited Bradford last Saturday.

Mrs. M. E. Richmond visited Bradford Wednesday.

Mrs. T. A. Morris is visited Kane friends Tuesday last.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Nash visited Bradford Saturday last.

J. E. B. White of Hazel Hurst was in town yesterday.

F. G. Lindholm returned from New York City Saturday.

Mrs. C. A. Burdick visited Clermont friends yesterday.

Att'y E. H. Sherman of Bradford was in town on Tuesday.

A. T. Palmer visited the mountain city of Kane Wednesday.

H. Palmer of Palmerville was in town on business yesterday.

Charles Miller enjoyed a pleasant drive to Bradford Tuesday.

F. C. Olds of Newerf was transacting business here Wednesday.

Henry King of Bradford had business at this burg Wednesday.

Adrian Sizer of Kane was transacting business at the hub Monday.

Mrs. Carrie Reilly and Miss Belle Abbey visited Buffalo this week.

R. J. Fowler of Eldred was transacting business in town Monday.

A. F. Coey of Coryville was in town on business Tuesday morning.

H. C. Rich of Buffalo was transacting business here last Monday.

C. A. Smith of Buffalo spent Sunday here a guest of William Haskill.

G. W. Mitchell and Jas. McKean went to the oil metropolis Tuesday.

E. B. Dolley of Port Allegany was circulating about town Wednesday.

Geo. L. Coons of Wellsville was calling on his customers here this week.

Raymond Young and his sister, Miss Lois, visited Bradford friends on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. J. Voorhees and children of Olean are guests of relatives in town.

C. S. King and daughters, Misses Rose and Bessie, were in town last Saturday.

H. C. Rich and H. R. Ford of Gardeau were transacting business in town Tuesday.

The veteran surveyor, W. P. Mitchell of Lock Haven, was in town on business yesterday.

J. K. P. Hall and W. E. Hall of Ridgway were guests at the Grand Central last Friday.

Mrs. Carrie G. Smith of Bradford was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Watley Gifford Friday last.

O. E. Bennett of Williamsport, agent for the National Cash Register, was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wells enjoyed a pleasant drive to Hazelhurst last Tuesday morning.

Dr. Ellsworth Whipple and wife of Olean were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ryan last Saturday.

T. F. Wright, a prominent business man of Devon, Pa., transacted business in town yesterday.

Commissioner T. F. Hungiville went to Germania, Potter county, yesterday on official business.

D. M. Shook has accepted a position at one of the Glen Charles' mills. He left for there last Monday.

Ned Ryan and S. E. Bell came down from Kane Saturday night and spent Sunday with relatives here.

Malcolm Cornish and wife and children of Buffalo were guests of John Servatius and family over Sunday.

Hugh Boyd, the popular boniface of the Bayer House, Clermont, was greeting old friends here Monday.

C. A. Backer, wife and daughter and Mrs. L. J. Backer and daughter, Ettie, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Weisz.

H. L. Stoner and J. N. Robison of Hazelhurst and J. S. Bradley of Kane were in town on business yesterday.

Judge T. A. Morrison went to Coudersport Tuesday to hold court, this week being the regular term to that county.

Mrs. W. C. Lewis of Coudersport arrived yesterday and is a guest of her mother, Mrs. Eunice Colegrove on King street.

Squire C. C. Moses and Chas. Shack of Eldred came up last Saturday to hear the argument in the great divorce case.

Dr. S. C. Williamston of Canesteo, N. Y., arrived Monday and has been the guest of his stepson, Dr. Burg Chadwick.

H. E. Tull, the well known twirler, arrived home Tuesday, having closed a very successful season with the Lyons ball team.

Commissioners Young and Hugiville were in Corydon township Monday to appoint a collector, the one elected failing to qualify.

Mrs. S. J. Milne, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Haskill for a couple of weeks returned to her home at Dullois yesterday.

W. P. Walsh, Misses Hannah and Elizabeth Walsh and their friend, Miss May Spiesman of Corry picnicked at Kinzua bridge Sunday last.

Mrs. Louise Nesmith and granddaughter, Miss Edna Jones, who have been visiting relatives in town for the past two weeks, returned to their home in Michigan Wednesday.

Rev. J. W. Sanborn and Dr. F. C. Pierce went to Carrollton Monday to view the Indian green corn dance. Look out for some fine views on their return as both carried kodaks.

Fred Wolfel of Germania, ex county commissioner of Potter county, was here on official business last Monday and made the MINER office a very pleasant call. Fred is the same genial gentlemen as of yore.

Christian Walp, a prominent lumberman of Colegrove, was a most agreeable caller at this office Wednesday and placed his name on our mailing list. Mr. Walp has been a resident of Colegrove for about one year and has built up a fine trade in the shingle business.

G. A. R. Appointments.

The following appointments in District No. 40 have recently been made:

Lucius Rogers, Post No. 238, Assistant Inspector-at-Large, Kane.

ASSISTANT INSPECTORS.

Wm. Doble, Post No. 141.
Geo. Griffiths, Post No. 238.
J. L. Lilly, Post No. 356.
H. T. Reynolds, Post No. 279.
C. M. Stack, Post No. 158.
B. F. Wright, Post No. 347.
B. G. Bartle, Post No. 431.

Vote of Thanks.

EDITOR MINER:—I am pleased to inform you of the vote of thanks cordially extended to you by the members of the W. C. T. U. for courtesies received in the way of space in your paper, your kindness and generosity.

Very Respectfully,
M. E. RICHMOND,
Secretary.

PILES PERMANENTLY CURED.

In from 3 to 5 days by the use of LO-MO.

One bottle guaranteed to cure any case of piles, regardless of how long standing, what you have tried, or what your physician may claim. Money refunded if permanent cure is not obtained in the most severe cases in less than 5 days' time. After all others fail get Lo-mo and be cured.

Price $1.00 per bottle, sent prepaid to any address on receipt of price. Address Harry Logue, 109 West Fourth street, Williamsport, Pa.

A Good Memory

often saves money and also good health. If you are troubled with constipation, indigestion or any form of stomach trouble remember to take home a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and health will be restored to you. Trial sizes 10c (10 doses) 10c) large size 50c and $1.00 of A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Farm for rent for a long term of years, situated in East Smethport, Pa., 1½ miles east of court house. Farming machinery and tools, 3 cows, 2 horses and 1 colt left on farm if preferred. All the hay and oats raised to be fed on the farm.

O. W. KING.
tf

4 lb. feather pillows 48c. Alarm clox 85c.

HACKETT.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MT. ALTON.

The last quarterly conference of the present conference year was held in the M. E. church on Friday afternoon of last week, with Presiding Elder E. H. Lattimer in the chair. It is rumored that there will be a change of pastors in the M. E. church this fall. We do not understand why there should be a change of pastors. Rev. Crocker is without doubt the most popular pastor the Methodists of this place have had for many years. During his three years pastorate he has made many warm friends who will be very sorry to see him go.

A large number of Mount Lodge D. of R., of Rew City visited Isabel Lodge No. 160, at this place on Saturday evening of last week. After a session of the Lodge was held, during which the degree staff of Isabel Lodge exemplified the beautiful work of Pennsylvania in a manner that was very pleasing to the guests, the visitors were escorted to the Potts House dining room where refreshments were served.

Quarterly meeting services were held in the M. E. church on Sunday last. Rev. Hugh Boyd of Limestone, N. Y., officiating. After the morning love feast Rev. Boyd preached a masterful sermon from the following text: "That in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in his kindness to us through Jesus Christ." A large number of people from out of town were present at the service.

George E. Beaumont and Johanna Fleming both of this place were married last Wednesday morning by Rev. G. M. Hickman of Bradford, Pa. They will reside at this place. The groom is engaged in business with his father, Geo. E. Beaumont, Sr.

S. S. Washburn returned from Wellsboro, Pa., on Thursday of last week where he has been attending a reunion of the English family.

John Haley of Kane was in town a guest of his parents over Sunday.

Miss Maggie Haley and Harry Gustavson are ill with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Mary Quinn, who has been quite ill is convalescent.

Miss Anna Haley is very sick with typhoid fever.

CLERMONT.

The Independent Gas Co. have commenced drilling their well and are down several hundred feet. Their hopes for getting a good gasser have increased since that big gas well was struck near Hazel Hurst. We hope they may succeed in getting either oil or gas, or both.

The school board has been compelled to establish another school, as there are more pupils than the two rooms can accommodate. We have been informed that they intend to move the Wermwag school to Clermont in rooms that they are putting up, which will then make accommodation for them all. We think this a wise conclusion.

There seems to be considerable business transacted at the justice's office these days. Business in this line is certainly increasing.

E. W. Cush and Anna Gaynor both of Clermont were happily united in holy matrimony at the Catholic church by Father Flood on Wednesday last.

Mrs. F. B. Steinhauer is off for a vacation among relatives at Farmers Valley. Miss Eva is looking after her affairs during her absence.

L. Steinhauer and J. F. Keating are enjoying the pleasure of calling on the fair school teachers. What a fine thing it is to be a school director.

J. H. Peterson has nearly completed the digging of his cellar for his new house.

LARABEE.

Mrs. B. W. Taylor of Mt. Alton is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Windsor.

Mrs. E. H. Rees and children of Austin are guests of S. P. Rickard and wife.

Eugene Crandell of Turtle Point is learning telegraphy of his brother, F. C. Crandell of this place.

Mrs. James Gainer of Newell Creek visited her daughter, Mrs. D. D. Otto last week.

Mrs. Frank Baker of Smethport accompanied by her five winsome little girls visited at the home of her brother, Chas. Adams Sunday and Monday.

E. W. Hibbard, wife and children and Miss Grace Carpenter of State Line spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Carpenter.

Miss Tredia Wedell, Cynose Carmoody and Leon Adams of this place took in the dance at Turtle Point Friday evening.

Geo. Rice, our genial night operator, left for Portville Tuesday morning, where he will perform the duties of day operator for the coming week.

Miss Anna Littlefield, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs W. H. Prentiss, during the summer, departed Thursday for the sunny South where she will take up her duties as teacher. The best wishes of her many friends go with her. Her neice, Miss Rhoda Prentiss accompanied her to Olean.

ARGUS.

TURTLE POINT.

Sabine Strang, of whom the MINER spoke last week as being sick with typhoid fever, died Sunday evening. Buried at 2 p. m. Wednesday at Grimes church.

T. L. Knapp went to Shingle House Tuesday of this week on a business mission.

The long-looked-for oil well at Turtle Point is under way at this writing.

Harvey Palmateer of Olean visited friends in this place Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Peter Burch of Emporium is visiting friends in town this week.

Geo. Helwig of Austin was doing business in this place on Tuesday of this week.

Will Emery of Parker, Pa., was seen on our streets Monday.

James Taylor of Ormsby was in town on business this week.

Born to George Moe and wife of Open Brook on Wednesday afternoon of last week, a baby girl. Mother and child doing well at present writing.

ANNIS CREEK.

If check will take anyone to heaven there are a good many people on the road.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hodge of Mina visited S. E. Cooper Sunday.

Misses Mattie Weatherby and Nellie Miller of Bolivar were in this place Sunday.

Chas. Clark and Miss Josephine Buckley of Shingle House attended the Sunday School picnic in this place Saturday.

Henry Evans and his mother, Mrs. Sally Evans, of Notwich are visiting in this place.

Barney Kinney, wife and two daughters, Vinnie and Jessie, are visiting Annin Creek friends.

"My boy came home from school one day with his hand badly lacerated and bleeding, and suffering great pain," says Mr. C. J. Schall, with Meyer Bros' Drug Co., St. Louis, Mo. "I dressed the wound, and applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely. All pain ceased and in a remarkably short time it healed without leaving a scar. For wounds, sprains, swellings and rheumatism, I know of no medicine or prescription equal to it. I consider it a household necessity." The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

It Saves the Croupy Children.

Seaview, Va.—We have a splendid sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and our customers coming from far and near speak of it in the highest terms. Many have said that their children would have died of croup if Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had not been given. Kellam & Curren. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Hotel For Sale.

Larrabee House at Larrabee, Pa. This is one of the best locations in McKean county at junction of W. N. Y. & P. R'y. License will be transferred to right man. Call or write at once if you want a bargain.

M. L. ARMSTRONG,
Smethport, Pa.

Running sores, indolent ulcers and similar troubles, even though of many years standing, may be cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It roobs strengthens and heals. It is the great pile cure. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Moments are useless if trifled away; and they are dangerously wasted if consumed by delay in cases where One Minute Cough Cure would bring immediate relief. A. B. Armstrong & Co.

When in Olean stop at the Palm Restaurant, 160 Union street, Olean, N. Y. Meals 25c.

35-4t A. B. LEANEVE, Prop'r.

Wm. Masser has employed a first-class bicycle repairman from Buffalo who will be able to make any repairs needed, or build new wheels.

If you wish first class carpenter work call and see me at the old reliable stand.

T. H. PURTLE.

Convention Held.

The annual convention of the Scandinavian Republican Tri-State League was held in the Odd Fellows' Hall on the public square, Cleveland, Ohio. There were 54 delegates present, representing more than 10,000 Republican voters. The States represented by this league are Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York, and delegates were present from nearly all the cities.

Nothing of a political nature was discussed. The only work done was the formation of a new set of by-laws and the election of the following officers: C. L. Berg of Jamestown, N. Y., president; B. Hammar of Youngstown, treasurer. Next year's convention will be held in Pennsylvania, but the city has not been decided upon.

The executive committee chosen consists of five members from each State. The Pennsylvania members are John O. Bonbergh, C. W. Carlson, August Hulin, Albert Peterson and John H. Sandstrom.

At the conclusion of the concert in Music Hall last night, the delegates to the Tri-State League convention were invited to a banquet at Odd Fellows' Hall and most of them attended and enjoyed a very fine dinner as the guests of the Swedish Republican Club, the Cleveland branch of the Tri-State League.

C. J. Berg was toastmaster. Toasts were responded to by Gust Holmquist of Erie, A. J. Lanes of Jamestown, Samuel Carlson of Jamestown, John Swedboy, A. Peterson of Kane, Pa., L. L. Malin of Cleveland, John O. Sonbergh of Bradford, Pa.

Mayor McKisson welcomed the delegates to Cleveland and extended to them the freedom of the city. He joined with all present in hoping for a pleasant and profitable convention.—Era.

Great Danger in Coughs.

A neglected Cough is source of imminent danger to all. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is guaranteed to cure the worst cough. Whooping Cough, sore throat and all other coughs. Chadwick's Drug Store.

1 qt. fruit cans 55c doz. 4 tine potato digger 25c.

A. E. STICKLES.

Do not forget to go to store of D. C. Young on 29th and 30th of this month and look at fine line of fall length patterns for mens suits, pants, vests and overcoats.

THOS. H. CLARK,

(Successor to W. P. Walsh.)

Practical Plumber,
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Bath Tubs, Water Closets, Wash Basins, Gas Stoves, Gas Fixtures, Steel and Tin Roofing, etc. Also Galvanized Conductors and Tin Spouting.

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Thos. H. Clark,

SMETHPORT, PA.

Wearing time for

SHIRT WAISTS

is shortening. The season's waning sounds a note of warning. Such goods as we have will serve a better purpose elsewhere than on our shelves, and we sacrifice profits to make quick sales.

The stock of numerous lots is limited to one or two. The styles are of the most recent date and will be correct next season. The quality never sold for less than double what we ask.

J. Colegrove.

Next to Bank,
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Leonard Koenig,

located near the creamery, is prepared to do all kinds of

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Always done neatly and artistically. Latest styles of paper constantly on hand from which to make your selections.

PROMPTNESS

Is a feature which characterizes this establishment. Give me a call. I shall be pleased to serve you to your entire satisfaction.

Smethport, - Penna.

I take pleasure in announcing to the citizens of

SMETHPORT AND VICINITY

that I have made arrangements to handle a fine line of clothing of best make

FOR MEN AND BOYS.

Call and examine samples and charts and get a suit of Clothes to fit at

One-Half The Usual Price.

ON SEPT. 29 AND 30

A man of experience will have on exhibition at my store a fine line of full length patterns for

SUITS, PANTS, VESTS AND OVERCOATS.

Please call and examine.

No offense if you do not buy.

D. C. YOUNG.

Smethport

THE SONG OF A SOUL.

A LEGEND OF THE STRING INSTRUMENT FOUNDED ON ERROR.

The Wanton Outpouring Touching Account of His Position Five Miles Penny Carmine and the Tragedy That Resulted Therefrom. Under the Musician's Touch.

It is known to only a few people that the devil once had a daughter—that was many years ago. The Lord be praised, she lived only a short time. She was cut off in her youth. She came to this world in the guise of a graceful fifteen, and I, Mr. Thomas Katgut, was destined to have my fate intermingled with hers.

While strolling along the banks of a pleasant little stream I first met Miss Penny Carmine, and well was she named. When I gazed into her eyes, they seemed to glow with fire, and when I drew my eyes away they were so dazzled that all around and about me seemed for a moment to be red, and the soft gray fur with which she was covered seemed to be tipped with scarlet.

Despite the fact that my entire heart went out to her in adoration at first sight, I could not but be conscious of a strange and unusual feeling which I could not localize. It seemed to draw and strain until it fairly ached, but I could not place it. It was not my heart, nor yet my liver, and it seemed to be far from my head. This meeting was but the first of many. Night after night we met, but in the midst of transports of joy and ecstasies of bliss which these meetings brought to me I always continued to experience the indescribable feeling, vague, unappreciable, yet always there when in her presence.

One night I felt that I could no longer contain my feelings, so, on the banks of the river, on the very spot where first we met, I told her of my love. And, oh, the effect! Fire seemed to flash from her eyes and mouth and each undivided hair on her body was aflame. All the devil in her seemed to be let loose. Before my astonishment gave me a chance to act she leaped upon me and began to scratch and tear and gnaw and bite. And in the midst of all the horror and pain of it came that same indescribable feeling in the undiscovered place.

I was perfectly powerless to resist her murderous attacks, and any efforts on my part would have been useless, for I felt that my hour had come. With one passing, she continued to scratch and tear at me until finally feeling that I was in the act of taking my last breath, I opened my eyes to cast a last look upon this and but beautiful world. Just then Miss Penny seemed to have exhausted her vitality, for she fell back dying even as my last fluttering breath issued from my lips. And then my soul left its earthly dwelling place, and, hovering above, looked down on the scene of the late tragedy.

"Horrible dicta!" My own body lay there lacerated and torn, but the body of the devil's daughter had vanished into space.

Eager as I was to soar away to a better land, I could not tear myself from the spot, but lingered around my poor body in the hope that some kind mortal would find it and give it decent burial. But alas for all my hopes! At early dawn a strange looking man tall and lean, with long hair and bony slender fingers, came wandering toward our late trysting place. Suddenly he saw my body, and a trembling took possession of him, which he soon controlled, and lifting me gently by the tail, carried me for some distance until we came to a little house in the woods which seemed to be his own. My soul followed through space, eager to see what was to become of my body. This awful man, who, it seemed, was the commander in chief of an army organized for the advancement of music, took up a murderous looking knife and deliberately cut my poor body into bits. He sat in deep until he reached my very vitals, and as the knife touched them my soul gave a long quivering but satisfied sigh, for he had touched the spot which had always responded to Miss Penny's presence, and which, while I had lived, had always eluded my detection. He took up my vitals and cut them into narrow strips and strung them across the window to dry. Though my body and soul were really separated, so sensitive was my soul to any touch to these parts that each time a breeze swept across them my soul could not resist a cry.

These cries seemed to please the musician so much that he nearly went wild with excess of feeling. He manipulated the strings—which were my vitals—in all sorts of ways, and finally drew them taut over a peculiar piece of glazed wood and over this drew a rod in measured time. My soul moaned and sighed at each touch, but the musician seemed to know how to modulate and moderate my cries so as at the same time to mingle with my tones others of such sweetness and pathos that the combined effect was heavenly and grand.

And thus it is that my soul has never found a final resting place, for mingled with my sad tones are ever those sweet and glorious ones, harmoniously interwingled, making music which binds me to earth, holding me back even from heavenly joys.

Explanation.—This is not a true story. Cats have always been known to be sly and deceitful, and Mr Thomas Katgut, whose soul tells this story, is no exception to the rule. In proof of this statement I call your attention to the definition of the word catgut in most dictionaries, which will be found about as follows:

"Catgut—The name given to material of which the strings of musical instruments are formed. It is made from the intestines of the sheep and sometimes from those of the horse, but never from those of a cat."—Anna Lewi in New York Times.

Medical Students.

The ratio of medical students to the population in this country is about twice as great as it is in Europe. The reason of this curious difference is found in the greater ease with which a diploma can be obtained in the United States, the medical schools of Europe requiring much more complete previous preparation and compelling the students to undergo a longer course of study before he is eligible to a degree.

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TURKISH CUSTOM HOUSE.

The Troubles Travelers Have, Especially With Books and Maps.

Many amusing stories are told of the trouble American travelers have had with the custom house authorities in Turkey, especially with books and maps. In the old days one's baggage would be dumped down on the landing place at Constantinople, and a turbaned old Turk, tchibouk in hand, would go through a pantomime of examining one's effects, which would be abruptly brought to an end by the application of an appropriate coin to the palm of his hand. But the political troubles that began some years ago in the Ottoman empire caused the government to institute a more stringent system, and there is now at Constantinople a custom house more after the American style, where a number of effendis, in fezes and Stamboulı coats of the regular official cut, pry into one's baggage with particular care in search of papers and books and maps of a revolutionary tendency or in which words forbidden to be printed in Turkey may be found.

During the bought of the Armenian agitation especially close search was always made for anything with the word "Armenia" in it, and whatever it was found in was summarily confiscated. On the occasion of my last visit to Constantinople I happened to have a map of Asia Minor among my papers, the discovery of which greatly agitated the examining effendi, who spoke in a language he thought was French. "Ah, Anesa Mecnoor!" he exclaimed as he spread it out, continuing in his Turko-French, "Show me Erserum." Having pointed out to him the spot where that city was to be found, he began running his finger over the map until he struck upon the letter A. This seemed almost to take his breath away, but when a short distance to the right of it he found the letter R he fairly gasped. The detection of the letter M following it was like an electric shock, and a bomb explosion could not have startled him more than the discovery of the letter E. By the time he had deciphered the remaining letters, NIA, I saw that the game was up, and as he folded up my precious map and in stern and measured syllables announced to me that it was "de-fon dew, con fis-kay," I knew that it was lost to me forever. A Review with an article alluding to the disturbed condition of affairs in the Turkish empire followed the map, along with some foreign newspapers.—Harper's Round Table.

A SMALL MAN'S REVENGE.

He Bullies the Dignity of Two Women in a Cable Car.

The small sized, unobtrusive man gets revenge now and then, as was exemplified yesterday in a Broadway cable car bound down town. He got on at Twenty third street and saw only one vacant seat. Other passengers who stood up were clinging to the straps in a semihypnotic condition and did not observe the vacant place. Two women, strangers to each other, richly clad and wearing diamond earrings, were the guardians of the vacant space, which was hardly wide enough to even admit the small man to a comfortable seat. Either of the women, by moving a little could have made a larger space, but they chose to sit as impassive as statues while the diminutive man crowded into the place. He exhibited all the signs of being uncomfortable, but these in placable cosmopolitans moved not. At Tenth street a large woman, weighing about 300 pounds, boarded the car. With the air of a Chesterfield the small man lifted his hat and said:

"Pray take my seat."

Thank you sir, she replied as she started to sit down. Constriction was depicted in the faces of the two rich ly clad women as they tried to edge away to the side window. It was too late for the heavy woman, crushed into the seat and out of contact with the other women. Then were the noise of crumpling cloth and the swish of skirts as the two women tried to move from the weight pinning part of their dresses down. It was a scramble to give the heavy woman enough room and all dignity was lost. The passengers smiled, and none more so than the small man, who had had his revenge.—New York Commercial.

Marie Antoinette's Books.

The unhappy Queen Marie Antoinette possessed an important library of 4,712 volumes, consisting of plays and romances, little books a la mode, the works of Pascal, Bossuet, Fenelon, Bourdaloue, Massillon, Boileau, Corneille, Moliere, Voltaire and many others. She loved music passionately and had a large collection of operas in 89 numbers. The bindings were by Blaizot and were uniform in red morocco with the arms of France and Austria stamped upon them. The execution of the work was poor, and the decadence in the art of binding evident. The glories of the art of Padeloup and the Derome had passed away, and the revolution differually killed whatever knowledge remained of the ancient skill of the cokbinders. Half a century later saw its revival in France, and the art has since flourished both there and on English soil.—Gentleman's Magazine.

Couldn't Fool Mamma.

Mrs. Youngclove—Oh I am sure that my husband has never told me a lie in his life.

Her Mother—My poor child! You are married to a hypnotist.—Cleveland Leader.

The air is so clear in the arctic regions that conversation can be carried on easily by persons two miles apart. It has also been asserted on good authority that at Gibraltar the human voice has been distinctly heard at a distance of ten miles.

Cleverness is serviceable for everything, sufficient for nothing.—Amiel.

Back From the Grave

We cannot come but we can often stay our progress thither. Disease like everything else must have a beginning. All chronic maladies tend to shorten life and render it a species of martyrdom while they last. Malaria, kidney complaint chronic indigestion, rheumatism—all have small beginnings, and may be stayed at the outset with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. This excellent tonic and alterative is adapted alike to the prevention of disorders of the system and to their removal, and its early use cannot be too strongly advocated. To renew appetite, and insure tranquil rest there is no surer and pleasanter remedy than it. While the effects of overwork and exhaustion mental or physical are counteracted by it, and the busy merchant the tired clerk or operative and the brain worn student, author or essayist, per man derive from it present relief and future safety.

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Stories of the Gallant Frenchman and His Second Visit to America.

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On the day of his public reception in Virginia he rode in an open carriage without his hat, exposed to the rays of a brilliant sun, bowing to the crowds always ready to greet him. There was some apprehension that sunstroke might be the penalty of his politeness, but the marquis was an old soldier. Before leaving home he had put a damp towel into his capacious wig and, protected by his helmet, he could indulge his French politeness with impunity. French and American revolutions and Austrian dungeons had taught him the art of self preservation.

The most charming story is of earlier date—his visit to the mother of Washington. He found her in the garden, taking together dried weeds and sticks, preparatory to a bonfire, arrayed in a linsey skirt, sack and bread brimmed hat tied over the plaited border of her cap.

The hostess met the situation with the composure of a duchess. Dropping her rake she took between her bare palms the hand the nobleman extended as he bowed before her and said:

"Ah marquis! You have come to see an old woman! I can make you welcome without changing my dress. I am glad to see you. I have often heard my son George speak of you. But come in."

Preceding him into her living room, she placed herself opposite him, erect as a girl of 18, never touching the tall straight back of her chair, while she listened to the praises of her son poured forth by the eloquent Frenchman.

Then she mixed with her own hands a cooling drink and offered it to the general with a plate of homemade ginger cake. The man of the world accepted the beverage as simply and gracefully as it was tendered, pronounced it delicious and arose to go. Would she give him her blessing?

She looked up to heaven, folded her hands and prayed that God would grant him "safety, happiness, prosperity and peace."—Youth's Companion.

Hell and London.

On the covers of a popular tract I find the quotation, "Hell is a city much like London." If this were so I would cheerfully accept a sentence which should doom me to hell and would play my part as a citizen to the best of my power, for it would be a city full of pathos and humor, where much that is bad is mingled with all that is lovable, where the very fiends who are represented as tormenting the lost are really engaged in works of mercy and brotherly love, a city, above all, where justice and straightforwardness and manly effort never fail to make their influences felt.—"Rich and Poor," by Mrs. Bosanquet.

An Interesting Deed.

The librarian of St. Paul's, London, has in his keeping very many interesting documents, among others a deed of gift from King Ethelbert of a farm in Kent, which he made over to St Paul's at a time when the cathedral was but an insignificant structure of wood. The rent from the land is received to this day.

Novelist's Best Effort.

Novelist—Do you like tennis?

The old lady gives a perfunctory answer.

Novelist—The only tennis I like is Tennyson.—Woman.

The more a man knows the more he is inclined to be modest.—Fielding.

The man who is blown up by a hidden mine of explosives may have seen things that should have aroused his suspicions but heedlessly put them aside as of no moment. It is the same with the sickness that ends in death. Insidious disorders of the digestion and bilious spells are passed by as of no moment. In themselves these complaints may not be dangerous, but if neglected their cumulative effect is terrible.

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

at 1 p m, the following several pieces and parcels of property.

1.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, tract or parcel of land situate in the borough of Smethport county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at the southeast corner of square No. 60 as laid out in the general plan of said borough, thence by the north line of Main street west sixty (60) feet to a post thence north one hundred fifteen and one half (115½) feet to the south line of an alley, thence by the south line thereof sixty (60) feet to a post in the west line of Franklin street thence south one hundred fifteen and one-half (115½) feet to the place of beginning. Containing six thousand nine hundred and twelve (6912) square feet strict measure be the same more or less, being part of lot No. 3 and part of square No. 60 as aforesaid. Being the same premises conveyed to the party of the first part by Robert King and others by warranty deed dated August 18th 1857 recorded May 2nd, 1860, in Deed Book Vol. 26, page 38. McKean County Records. Improved and having thereon one large two-story and mansard frame building with two-story addition in rear, used as a hotel and usual outbuildings.

Seized taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Mary F. Bergstresser at the suit of The Kinzua Mutual Building Loan Association.

T. B. Richmond, plaintiff's attorney.

4.

Defendant's interest in a lot of land in the borough of Smethport McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, containing 2310 square feet, and bounded and described as follows, beginning at a point in the north line of Main street being west 80 feet from the southeast corner of square No. 60, thence by the said north line west 20 feet to the southeast corner of land conveyed to A. B. Gridley thence north 115½ feet to the northeast corner of same thence east by the north line of the alley 20 feet to a corner thence south 115½ feet to the place of beginning. Being part of lots Nos. 7 and 8 and part of square No. 60. Improved and having thereon a boarding house.

Seized taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Mary F. Bergstresser at the suit of Robert King and Eugenia Hamlin.

Bouton & Gallup plaintiff's attorneys.

5.

Defendant's interest in all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in the township of Jewett, county of McKean, State of Pennsylvania, described as follows: A portion of lot No. 36 east of Kane street in said borough being a parcel of land No. 2703. Beginning at the northwest corner of land late of W. J. Carr thence by said land south 26 degrees 30 minutes east one hundred and fifty feet, thence south 63 degrees 30 minutes west thirty feet, thence by land under contract to be conveyed to Chas. F. Anderson the party of the first part north 26 degrees 30 minutes west one hundred and fifty feet thence by the east side of Kane street (30 feet from the center thereof) north 63 degrees 30 minutes east thirty feet to the place of beginning this conveyance being subject to the restrictions and reservations contained in the deed of Elizabeth D. Shinn to John Arnason. Together with all and singular the improvements, ways, waters water courses, rights liberties, privileges hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. Improved and having thereon one two-story frame dwelling house partially destroyed by fire and usual outbuildings.

Seized taken in execution and will be sold as the property of John Jacobson at the suit of The Lackawanna Building Loan and Savings Association a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York.

H. S. Rogers, plaintiff's attorney.

6.

Defendant's interest in all the following described tract of land and premises situate in the township of Norwich in the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania being the east part of lot number eighty two (82) and the west part of lot number eighty-one (81) in the survey made by Wm. McIlvaine and laid out as follows. Beginning at a post in the south line of said lot number 81, sixty four (64) rods west from the southeast corner of said lot number 81, thence north twenty two (22) rods and two tenths (22 2-10) links to a post in the south line of lot number 31, thence north one hundred and eighty (180) rods to a post in the north line of said lot number 82 thence west on said line, eighty-eight rods and twenty two (88 22-10) links to a post thence south one hundred and eighty (180) rods to a post in the south line of said lot number 82, thence east on said line, eighty-eight rods and twenty two (88 22-10) links to the place of beginning. Containing one hundred (100) acres of land. Mostly improved and having thereon one and a half story frame dwelling house and outbuildings attached, and well watered.

Also—A lot of land situate in the township of Norwich county of McKean and state of Pennsylvania, and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a stone corner it being the north west corner of 8 March lot and the same being part of lot No 81 thence north on east line of lot No 107 ninety two and five tenths (92 5-10) rods to the northeast corner of previous purchase thence east on north line of lot No. 108 one hundred thirty (130) rods to stone corner it being north east corner of same thence south on east line of same one hundred twenty (120) rods to stone corner. Thence west along south line of same one hundred and fifty feet to Anderson street thence north 3 degrees 30 minutes east along said street fifty feet to the place of beginning. Containing 1500 square feet more or less as shown on map made by W. W. Heneberg, being the same land conveyed by Daniel Dowler and Elizabeth Dowler to the party of the first part hereto by deed dated Jan'y 18th, 1896 and intended to be recorded with this conveyance. This conveyance is made subject to all restrictions and reservations mentioned in said deed. Improved and having thereon one one-story frame dwelling house with an ell attached, one water well and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of August Peterson at the suit of H. J. Colwell & Sigsbee of H. S. Rogers.

H. S. Rogers, plaintiff's attorney.

9.

Defendant's interest in all those certain pieces of land situate in the township of Norwich county of McKean and state of Pennsylvania, and described as follows, viz: No. 1 Beginning at a point on the west side of East Main street said point being the southeasterly corner of lot sold to J. J. Gowanus thence westerly at right angles with said street forty feet more or less to the right of way of the O. H. & W. Railway thence south along said right of way one hundred feet more or less to a point where said right of way meets the line of the street; thence north along said street one hundred feet more or less to the place of beginning.

Also—that other piece of land situate in said city, county and State, and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the northeasterly line of East Main street, said point being the northeasterly corner of land owned by A. W. Sewell, thence northeast at right angles with said street seventy feet more or less to the right of way of the O. H. & W. Railway company, thence northwesterly parallel with said street seventy-six feet to a point in the line of said street and thence westerly along said street twenty five feet to the place of beginning. Together with two oil wells, one boiler two engines, tank and all the tubing rods, pipe lines, rigs, fixtures, fittings, &c., now erected and situated on the two above described pieces of land and thereto belonging.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of C. M. Wheeler at the suit of A. J. Pidgett.

Berry & Edgett, plaintiff's attorneys.

10.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate, lying and being in the township of Keating, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point

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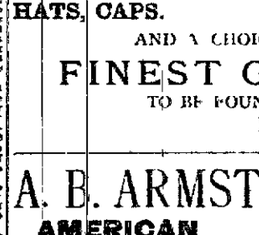

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